MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Geographic Research

3 June 1960

FROM:

Chief. Map Library Division

SUBJECT:

D/GL Activity Report for the Month of May, 1960

A. Major Research and Technical Support Activity

- 1. The Processing Brench added 850 new titles, comprising 6,257 maps, to the Loan Copy Collection. In connection with the China area revision program, 125 titles were revised. The processing of uncataloged materials in the Far East area progressed, with the indexing and cataloging of 4,179 series sheets. New maps processed for Vital Storage totaled 180. 110 new atlases and atlas-like volumes were processed for the basic reference collection.
- 2. 27,648 items were forwarded to requesters by the Reference Branch, in response to 1,905 requests for maps, related geographic publications, and reference information, as follows:

	No of requests	No. of items forwarded
Maps	1,322	20,905
Rooks	112	222
ATMP	119	2,521
Place Name Requests	121	
Miscellaneous Reference Questions	231 1,905	27,648

This month's map request total represents an increase of 170 over that of May 1959.

- 3. Requests serviced included one for a large number of maps supplied to an office in DD/P, for transmittal to a new overseas post, and one for a large number of maps, covering all world areas, furnished to the White House. An agreement was reached to supply the Office of Mayal Intelligence, over a period of several years, with quantities of port plans needed for a special project.
- 4. Of the 5,221 map sheets which were obtained from foreign sources during the month, 59% were received on exchange, 6% were

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received as gifts, and 35% were purchased. Significant items included: photocopies of 36 Russian sheets of the Antarctic; a detailed 1960 map of railroads of the Soviet Zone of Germany; a new edition of the Oxford Economic Atlas of the World; and 182 recent map sheets of Cuba. Four 1959 Hungarian city plans published by Kartografia Fallalat were received, bringing the total coverage of such 1958 and 1959 plans up to 24 cities.

5. Support activities conducted by the Special Collection Support Branch during the month included: the review of our requirements in Afghanistan with the DD/P Desk Officer, the collection of advance information on the four large conferences coming up this summer and, in this connection, the preparation and dissemination of a briefing folder for Geographic Area IGU attendees; a contribution to the new IPC List on the Sino-Soviet Bloc; meetings with DD/P Desks to discuss requirements and support, in connection with the preparation for travel to Europe by and the forwarding of twenty-one formal requirements.

B. Planning and Development

1. Geographic Attaché Activity:

During May, Dr. Niemela attended the Afforth meeting in Oslo and conducted a brief procurement mission in Norway. Plans have been completed for Dr. Niemela's trip to Helsinki in July, to conduct procurement and to attend the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics meetings. Dr. Chapman conducted a brief procurement mission in Assam, and Dr. Held began a procurement mission to Dhahran and Kuwait. Dr. Bradley remained in Tokyo. On 3 June, he will undertake an eleven-wack mission to Australia and New Zealand. Mr. Rugg is on home leave. Mr. Biggs and Mr. Rogers are hospitalized in the United States.

25XTX4Significant Outside Contacts and Activities

•	2. At a meeting called by the National Science Foundation,
	discussions were held regarding means of dissemination of information
	on publications and maps dealing with Antarctica received in the United
	States. was named to a committee appointed to draft a reporting
	program.

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3. Chief of the Reference Branch, and Chief of the Processing Branch, met with Chief of the Reference Branch, and 25X1A9a

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4. Special Collection Support Branch, visited Mr. Cude at the Engineer Research and Development Laboratory, Fort Belvoir, in connection with the photogrammetry meeting, London. Mr. Cude plays a key role in this organization, and has offered to help in every way possible.

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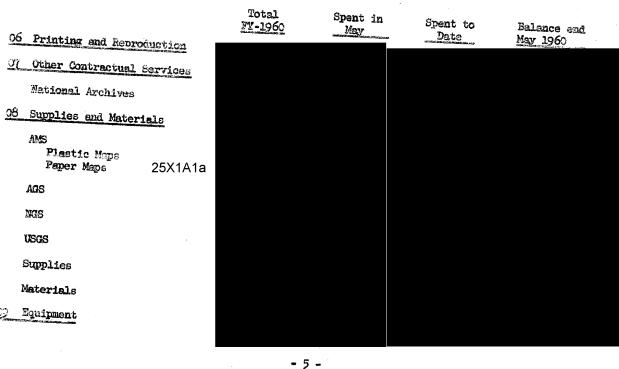
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